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Announcements

International Society of Nephrology

Any elected member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society's official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 1978 is included in the annual 1978 dues of US \$48.00. Potential new members can secure application forms for membership by writing directly to Dr. Neal S. Bricker, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of Miami School of Medicine, Box 875, Biscayne Annex, Miami, Florida 33152, U.S.A. The completed application form should be returned to Dr. Bricker along with a check or money order for the first year's (1978) annual dues of US \$48.00 (checks should be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology; checks from outside the U.S.A. can be paid through any New York or Miami bank).

Officers of National Societies of Nephrology

The *Secretary-General of the International Society of Nephrology* would be grateful if the present officers of national societies of nephrology would contact him as soon as possible with the names of the chief officers of their national society of nephrology. This information should be sent immediately to Dr. John Moorhead, Department of Nephrology, The Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead NW3 20G, England.

Meetings

The *XI Annual Meeting of the European Society for Paediatric Nephrology* will be held in Kiriat Anavim, Israel, September 17–22, 1978. For further information write Dr. Harry Stark, Beilinson Medical Center, Petah Tiqva, Israel.

A *Pediatric Urology Symposium* will be held September 18–20, 1978, in Jalisco, Mexico under the joint sponsorship of the University of California, Davis, and the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara. The Guest Faculty will include Drs. J. H. Johnston and T. Allen. The program will be conducted in English and Spanish. For further information write

to Christina Robles, Coordinadora de Educacion Continuada, Area Biomedica, Apartado Postal 1440. Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico. Telephone: 41-02-02.

An *International Symposium on Instrumentation for Artificial Heart and Kidney* will be held September 12–15, 1978, in Brno, Czechoslovakia. The symposium is sponsored by the Minister for Technical and Investment Development and the President of the Central Council of Czechoslovak Scientific and Technical Society. It has been prepared by the Chirana Research Institute of Medical Engineering in Brno and the General Council of the Czechoslovak Scientific and Technical Society in Prague. Simultaneous translation into Czechoslovakian, Russian, and English will be provided. The symposium fee (2000 Czech crowns) will cover the Congress fee, accommodations and board, social program, a visit to the Brno Trade Fair, excursions, insurance during the symposium, and one copy of the Proceedings published after the symposium. For further information, write Symposium Secretariat, Chirana Research Institute of Medical Engineering, Kemenice 3, 658 09 Brno, Czechoslovakia (phone: 335511, telex 62684).

The *American Heart Association* and the *Chicago Heart Association* will co-sponsor a course entitled "International Symposium on Primary Prevention in Childhood of Atherosclerotic and Hypertensive Diseases" on October 18–20, 1978, at the Ambassador West Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. Registration fee will be US \$150.00. For further information, contact Ms. Sue Shekelle, Chicago Heart Association, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill. 60606, U.S.A.

The *5th International Congress of International Microsurgical Society* will be held in Bonn, Germany, October 4–7, 1978. For further information, write A. Holst, Secretary of Congress, Chirurgische, Univ.-Klinik, 5300 Bonn-Venusberg, Germany.

Newly Elected Officer

The Swiss Society of Nephrology has announced a new President: Dr. Gilbert Thiel, Kantonsspital, 4031 Basel, Switzerland.

European Dialysis and Transplant Association

Membership in the *European Dialysis and Trans-*

plant Association (EDTA) is open to qualified workers in fields that are of interest to the Association (hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, renal transplant, and the broad field of nephrology, including clinical nephrology, renal physiology, renal pathology, etc.). Full membership is limited to scientists who reside in Europe and the adjacent countries; associate membership is available to scientists from other countries. Candidates for full or associate membership must be proposed by two full or associate members on a form provided by the Secretary-Treasurer. This proposal, accompanied by a letter of recommendation from one of the proposers, should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer for consideration by the Council. All members are entitled to 1) receive information about the annual Congress and all General Assemblies of the Association, 2) participate in the annual Congress, and 3) receive an annual copy of the Proceedings of the EDTA. For further information, write Dr. Vittorio E. Andreucci, Secretary-

Treasurer, Division de Nefrologia, Seconda Facolta De Medicina Universita, Via S. Pansini, 89131 Napoli, Italy.

The *Proceedings of the XIV Congress of the European Dialysis and Transplant Association (EDTA)* is available from Pitman Medical, 42 Camden Road, Turnbridge Wells, Kent TN1 20D, England (Price: £18.00). In the United States, it can be ordered from Dr. George E. Schreiner, Editor, Transactions of the ASAIO, Georgetown University Medical Center, Washington, D.C. 20007, U.S.A. Volume XIV includes a forum on the prospects for specific immunosuppression, articles on plasma exchange in glomerulonephritis and on the pathophysiology of acute renal failure, the latest statistical report on treatment of renal failure in Europe, and over 50 original contributions on nephrology, renal replacement, and transplantation. Copies of Volume XIII, 1976, Price £18, are still available from the above address.